



# Town of Carver

## North Carver Water District Commission

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Meeting minutes for November 8, 2021, The North Carver Water District Commissioners met, today, at the Carver Town Hall, Meeting Room # 3, 108 Main Street, Carver, Massachusetts.

Attendees: Kevin Tracey, Chairman; William Sinclair, Commissioner

Absent: Stephen P. Romano, Commissioner

Also present:

Meeting called to order at 5:33 PM, by Mr. Tracey

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### **Rte. 44 Development, Urban Renewal Plan:**

Mr. Tracey – They started felling trees today. There have also put up some construction zone signage. PA Landers has the approval for the materials; they met the standards of our R&R. This Board does not have representation at the regular meetings; they have all of their meetings on Mon/Tues which we can't attend. They will keep us informed. The preferred developer is looking for zoning changes but the Fire Chief is not happy with those requests without other changes. They are working together to come to an agreement. The Fire Chief would like an increase in connections to and an increase in underground water storage.

### **Service Connections on Santana Way:**

Mr. Tracey – Dave is not with us tonight. The Board reached out to Bruce and Mike and was unable to reach either of them. Mr. Trumbull ended up calling into the meeting. Mr. Sinclair – Are you aware of anything with our District? Mr. Trumbull – I am not up to date with that. Mr. Sinclair – Can you send someone our way? Mr. Trumbull – We hired a new Supervisor, Steve. I will have him get in touch as soon as possible.

### **Discussion:**

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- Plymouth Street water line extension – Mr. Tracey – The Health Agent reached out today. We talked about betterments/ privilege fees. The major issue with the residents is that when they connect, they don't want to pay for the water. I understand their position, but the problem that I have is variances in usage. If the Town could declare a minimum, the resident would be responsible for any extra. As of now, none of the 19 want Town water. They can't "consume" the well water as is. The Health Agent has contracted with someone to do the work. Mr. Sinclair – I don't like that statement of "free water". Mr. Tracey – I know, we have never done free water; if the Town has a minimum, then it's not free. Mr. Sinclair – As a tax payer, I pay to keep my well running; not sure how that would translate to the residents that are not on Town water. Mr. Tracey – Yes, this will be an ongoing conversation. Mr. Tracey – The Town has subsidized the NCWD for a number of years. As a district, we have reduced that number each year. We will continue this conversation with probably the Select Board. Mr. Lafond – I think the fact that the Towns subsidy is intended to help the economic growth in that area of Town; without giving any judgment or opinion, this is definitely an apples / oranges situation. Mr. Tracey – The Health Agent asked me if a single family residence chose to connect, what would the betterment be? I did the math and it comes in at \$16,250.50. Mr. Sinclair – They were not harmed by anything that the Water District did, the Town has taken responsibility for this situation. As far as the betterment is concerned, it could be thrown out as a waiver. Mr. Tracey – I think that is what the Health Agent was leading to. They don't have to pay for meters, all the plumbing is being taken care of. Mr. Sinclair – I would welcome discussion if it ever came to the Board as a vote to not charge them the betterment. Mr. Tracey – It probably won't come to this Board for that but it may come to us for determining fee for water usage. I would like to see them connect; it takes some burden off of them.

#### **Water Operators Report:**

Nothing tonight.

#### **Bills Payable:**

Discussion: Mr. Sinclair – There are a lot of bills from SWSS. We have discussed all of them so they should be good to go.

*Motion to pay the bills for Batch 1 in the amount of \$12,284.15: Mr. Sinclair*

*Second: Mr. Tracey*

*Approved: Unanimous (2-0)*

*Motion to pay the bills for Batch 2 in the amount of \$6,000.00: Mr. Sinclair*

*Second: Mr. Tracey*

*Approved: Unanimous (2-0)*

**Minutes –**

**October 4, 2021 –**

*Motion to approve the minutes of **October 4, 2021**, as written: Mr. Sinclair  
Second: Mr. Tracey*

Discussion:

*Approved: Unanimous (2-0)*

**Correspondence:**

Mr. Tracey – We have a commitment for FY22. There is no fire protection on it so I bounced it back for clarification. It is for \$25,872.58

*Motion to approve and sign our Commitment, dated October 5, 2021, in the amount of  
\$25,872.58: Mr. Sinclair  
Second: Mr. Tracey  
Approved: Unanimous (2-0)*

**Next meeting:**

*Mr. Sinclair will be participating remotely on December 13<sup>th</sup>.*

*Motion to schedule our next monthly meeting, on December 13, 2021 at 5:30 PM: Mr.  
Sinclair  
Second: Mr. Tracey  
Approved: Unanimous (2-0)*

**Meeting adjourned:**

*Motion to adjourn was made at 6:08 PM: Mr. Sinclair  
Second: Mr. Tracey  
Approved: Unanimous (2-0)*